

Rapid River News

April 6th, 2015

News , updates and recent announcements from our tribe, calendar of events, flyers, prayers and more information. Please note that: Hyperlinks are scattered throughout the RRN .These 'links' take you direct to documents, websites and further information that you can use. Just click on them or copy and paste them in your browser for more info! _____

Spring Fire & Teachings! The Spring Fire & Teachings are April 8th through 11th at the Gathering Grounds in Manistee. See the flyer on page 11. For the agenda follow this link: https://www.lrbai-nns.gov/images/docs/events/docs/2015_Spring_Fire_Teachings_Agenda.pdf

Spring Membership Meeting April 11th: The Spring Membership Meeting is set for April 11th at the Makwa Endaat. Ogema Romanelli will be holding his 'Meet-n-Greet' Friday evening (the 10th) beginning at 7 p.m. in the Makwa Endaat. (Entertainment Center) Saturday, booths open at 9 a.m.; the unofficial meeting and presentation of flags begins at 10 a.m. and the formal open is at 1 p.m. The resort has a new menu and it is no longer necessary to have the Spring Meeting as a potluck...lunch will be provided! See the agenda on page 10.

Elders Meeting! The Tribal Elders met Saturday for their monthly meeting. Elder Ron Wittenberg made a special



presentation of an Eagle feather that he had received from a Tribal Member and had prepared as a Talking Feather. Council member Marty Wabindato constructed a beautiful wooden case for the feather. The Elders Committee graciously received the gift and announced that they would bring it to their meetings in the future. Members Services Coordinator Lee Iverson also addressed the

Elders and told them of a new survey that would be coming out soon.



Informational Meeting Saturday. The Ogema held an informational meeting regarding Tribal Member Discounts at Aki Community Center on Saturday following the Elders Meeting. You may view the meeting on the tribal web-site.

2015 Anishinaabe Family Language & Culture Camp! This years' popular language camp is coming up. See the details on page 4 and the call for presenters on page 5.

Health and Resource Fair/LRCR: The Wellness Committee at the Little River Casino Resort is set for April 29th, 2015 from 12 p.m. until 4 p.m.

MIEA Scholarship! This year's 2015 Scholarship Application is now available. Please share news of this opportunity with our young people. NOTE!!! The application and supporting documentation has to be submitted **no later than** June 20th. Any questions? Contact Tom Derwin, Coordinator at 906.387.3498 or by email tderwint@hotmail.com. The application can be seen at: https://www.lrbai-nns.gov/images/docs/public-affairs/News/Scholarship_Application.pdf



Two past Ogema serving at the 2014 Language Camp. Jay Sam and Pat Wilson

Departmental Awards Announced: Tribal Historic Preservation has received recognition from the State of Michigan in the 2015 Governor's Awards for Historic Preservation. The Tribal Utility Department also received an award and Certificate of Excellence as a Laboratory of Excellence. See the full articles in the April **Currents**.

Bear and Elk Permit Applications Available! The Natural Resource Commission has released the 2015 Bear and Elk permits. See them in the April **Currents** or on page 13 of this Rapid River News.

March Currents online! The 28 page March **Currents** is on line. Go to <https://www.lrbai-nns.gov/images/docs/public-affairs/currents/2015/Currents%20-%20March%202015.pdf> to see this and other issues.

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**The Spring Membership Meeting is
April 11th in the
Makwa Endaat (Entertainment Center)
at The Little River Casino Resort.**

**The meeting is not going to be potluck.
The meal will be provided.**

**Watch for future
announcements
for more details.**

Fish Give-Away

From 8-11 a.m. of the spring membership meeting the Natural Resources Department will be giving away fish to all tribal members at the Big Blue building on the East Lake property (169 Brickyard Road). The fish are filleted and frozen in gallon ziplock bags. Please bring a cooler. For more information please call Ken LaHaye at 231-398-2185.

REACHING OUT TO NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH TO INSPIRE READING, WRITING, AND HIGHER EDUCATION

The *Young Native Writers Essay Contest* is a writing contest for Native American high school students and is designed to encourage young Native Americans to write about their experiences as a member of a Native American community and the culture that inspires them.

The voices that emerge from this program honor the legacy of every Native American who has ever lived. Add your words to the thousands submitted through this project - all writers receive a Certificate of Honor for their submission.

The Holland & Knight Charitable Foundation's goal of promoting education and creating new opportunities for youth has inspired this essay contest. Partnering with Holland & Knight in this endeavor are the National Museum of the American Indian and the National Indian Education Association.

Follow this link for the details: <http://nativewriters.hklaw.com/>

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2015 LRBOI Primary Election Results

Office of the Ogema	Winner	Total	Office of Tribal Council-9 County	Winner	Total
Dave Corey		22	Pam Medahko		40
Gary Paul DiPiazza (sees-bak-tunse)		28	Pat Ruiter	X	61
Jimmy Mitchell		31	Rita Annette Gale	X	83
Larry "Little Thunder" Romanelli	X	240	Ronald Wittenberg	X	84
Michael J. Ceplina		95	Sandra "Peanut " Lewis	X	72
Shannon Paul Crampton		83	Sandy Mezeske	X	77
Steve Parsons	X	111	Steven E. Kequom	X	56

Office of Tribal Council-9 County	Winner	Total	Office of Tribal Council -At Large	Winner	Total
Al Metzger Oskaabaawis		49	Edward Tyler		74
Alvin Patricio		36	Joseph Riley II	X	194
Amy Gilles		15	Marcella M. Leusby		withdrawn
Brian Loney		52	Michael J. Charlow		33
Candace M. Chapman	X	67	Norbert Kelsey	X	103
Corey A. Wells		16	Peggy J. Vriesman		80
Delano D. Peters		35	Sally Bell	X	110
Jamie Friedel	X	68			
Jeff Battice		29	Chief Judge	Winner	Total
Jessica Lynn Burger	X	84	Austen J. Brauker	X	115
Jim Medacco		47	Daniel T. Bailey	X	233
John Pabami		29	Jonnie J. Sam II		105
Justin L. Kelsey		13	Joshua C. Stone		38
Loretta Beccaria- Lindeman		45	Sharron Cogswell Detz	X	106

Challenges to the Primary Vote had to be filed by Friday, February 20th! The final tally has been posted on the Tribal Face Book page, in the Rapid River News and on the tribal website at www.lrboi.com

ELECTION BOARD

Peggy Derouin

Tammy Bowen

Brandi Drake-Blamer

Karen Love

Valerie Robinson McDonnell

APPELLATE COURT JUDGE-- ELDER

Joseph J. LaPorte

Justice Cynthia Pete Champagne

APPELLATE COURT JUDGE-ATTORNEY

Damian S. Fisher

Melissa L. Pope

MIEA Spring Quarterly Conference

The Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) will be holding their Spring Quarterly Conference April 20th, 21st and 22nd at the Little River Casino Resort in the Three Fires Conference Center. The LRBOI Elders Committee is hosting the event.



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The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Invites you to the 22nd Annual 2015 Anishinaabe Family Language & Culture Camp



Saturday, July 25:

Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise Ceremony)
8:00am Breakfast
8:30am Opening Ceremony
9:15am - 12:00pm Presentations/Workshops
12:00pm Lunch
1:15pm - 5:00pm Presentations/Workshops
5:00pm Dinner
7:00pm Jiingtamok (Pow wow)

Sunday, July 26:

Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise Ceremony)
8:00am Breakfast
9:00am - 12:00pm Presentations/Workshops
12:00pm Lunch, Giveaway & Closing

- ♦ No Registration Fee
- ♦ All Meals are Provided
- ♦ Camping available (first come, first serve)
- ♦ On-site Restrooms & Bath house
- ♦ Location: 2596 Loon Drive, Manistee, MI
Corner of US-31 & M-22, across from the
Little River Casino Resort

- ♦ "Celebrating the Unity of Our Language & Culture"
- ♦ For the sunrise ceremony, please dress appropriately (women wear long skirts) and respectfully for all.
- ♦ We politely ask that English be the second language used at this camp.
- ♦ Bring your Nation's Flag and a Giveaway Gift
- ♦ The agenda and other information will be posted as soon as possible; please visit www.lrboi-nsn.gov or www.anishinaabemdaa.com for updates. Some presentations/workshops may include: cultural teachings, traditional medicines, craft making, games, language learning, etc.



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For more information, please contact:

Kenny Pheasant: 231-398-6892, 231-590-1187 or Terri Tyler: 231-398-6891

Email: kpheasant@lrboi-nsn.gov or ttyler@lrboi-nsn.gov

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Presenters Call 22nd Annual Anishinaabe Family Language and Culture Camp 2015 Manistee Mi.

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We are looking for presenters for this year's camp; this will allow for plenty of time for everyone. This year's camp will be held on July 25th, 26th 2015. If you are interested in being a presenter, we will need a presentation outline and a biography.

We will need two different presentation outlines and some presenters may be asked to present up to three different times. Each presentation should be approximately 1 ½ hours long, but if you have a presentation that requires a longer amount of time, please let us know in order to accommodate your workshop. Please also let us know if your presentation is meant to target a particular age group or other demographic.

We also need to know if your workshop is total Anishinaabemowin immersion, if you will have a translator or if you will be presenting in the English language with some Anishinaabemowin. Please note that if you have handouts for your presentation, you are responsible for making sure you have enough copies because there are no copiers on site.

Just as a note, most of our guests do not speak Anishinaabemowin and some understand it, but do not speak it yet. For some of our guests, this is the only time that they get to hear Anishinaabemowin being used. It would be appreciated for all of the presenters to remain visible throughout the camp and to be available to speak in Anishinaabemowin. We have had successful Camps because of the good presenters that have participated. We attend one another's presentations and socialize with the guests; we support one another and love our language.

Along with your presentation outline and biography, we will also need to know if you require lodging. Please send all of your information by email as soon as possible and do not wait until the last minute otherwise you may not make it on the presenter list. It would be appreciated if your presentation outline and biography could be sent as separately attached documents in the email. It's just easier for us when we process our program book. (Phone calls are accepted to state your interest in presenting, but the written information is required by the deadline for consideration.)

If you know anyone who may be interested in presenting at the Camp, by all means, please forward this letter to them and have them state in their email who recommended them to present.

The deadline for all of this information is May 10, 2015

Here is my contact information:

kpheasant@lrboi-nsn.gov

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Kenny Neganigwane Pheasant

Mattress Sale!

Exclusive OFFER to all Little River Casino Resort associates and Little River Band of Ottawa Indian tribal members at *significant savings!*

The Tranquility sleep set is an Ultra-Premium Plush top mattress set made with the finest spring unit, upholstery and quilt packages on the market. Our supplier has remained committed to using higher than National brand industry standards in all components to provide exceptional sleep! This mattress set has the unique ability to provide exceptional support and sleep for everybody even two people of different weights.

This mattress is 13.5" tall and the box spring is 7.75" tall. All orders must be placed and paid for by May 16, 2015.

King Set (76" x 80").....597.00 + tax
Queen Set (60" x 80").....448.00 + tax
Full Set (54" x 75").....428.00 + tax
Twin Set (39" x 75").....320.00 + tax



Payment methods: cash, check or credit via LRCR Hotel Front Desk Supervisor, and LRCR associates can opt to do a payroll deduct (please call Barb Wood at 231-723-1535 ext 3863 for details). Mattress will be available for pick up at the LRCR warehouse on Dontz Road May 21st after 4pm.

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CASINO RESORT

"People think other things are more important than prayer, but they are mistaken."

-- Thomas Yellowtail, CROW

An Elder once said the most important thing you can do in the course of a day is to pray. If we get up late or oversleep, which is more important? Rush to work without praying or pray first and then go to work? The Elders say it's more important to pray. If we get angry, should we act on our anger or should we pray first? The Elders say it's more important to pray first. If, during the day, we face indecision, what should we do? PRAY. If, during the day, we become irritated or we experience fear, what should we do first? PRAY. The Warrior who prays first will lead a different life from those who pray last.

Great Spirit, teach me to pray first!

Kwewok Circle Presents

The History and Traditions

Of Anishnabekwe Jigoodenh

(Native Women Dresses)

Come April 6th, 15th, 22nd and 29th to the Community Center a different dress will be discussed each week.

5:30-7:00pm

Learn about Women's Pow-wow Regalia and how the different types of dresses are made, also the traditions that go with the wearing of that style of dress. We will have models on hand to show you their dress and talk about why they chose that style of dress. We will have the teachings that go with the dress and about the colors we choose for our regalia and the meanings of those colors.

For more information call 231-510-2424 Deb Davis

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(Cultural & Government related items)

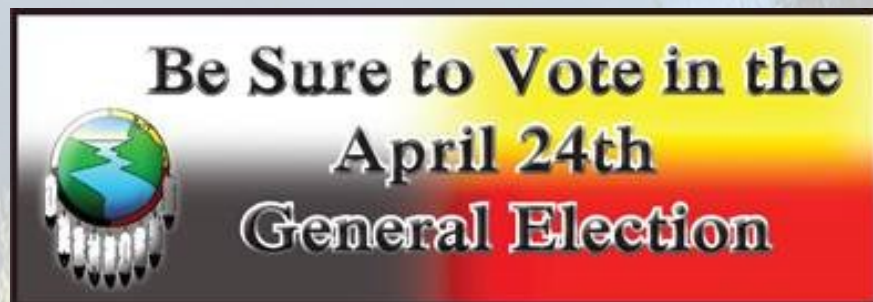
Warriors Society: Wanted...Veterans who want to actively participate in the Little River Band Warrior Society. Please email vjohnson@lrboi.com for an application and/or additional information.

We are constantly in need of Warriors for color guard duties for various events. Please consider becoming active or joining and being an active member. The Warrior Society meets the first Saturday of every month at 10am at the Aki Community Center located at the entrance to the LRBOI Housing Area. The Warrior Society meetings are usually followed by the monthly elders meeting at Noon.

Commander John Shano reported that this month, members of the Warriors participated in the funeral services for GTB's Chair George Bennett-ba and LRBOI Warrior Joe Koon-ba.

Commission Openings! The tribe continues to seek applications from tribal members interested in serving on any commission or committee of the tribe. Ogema Romanelli has asked for members to submit letters of interest along with why they would like to be on the various Commissions and what skills or knowledge they bring to the group. Applicants will need to submit a commission application along with your letter of interest. You will need to contact Mary Thomas (extension 6824) in the Ogema's office to get an application and will need to submit both in order to be considered.

Please send the letter and application to the attention of Executive Assistant, Mary Thomas, Office of the Ogema, 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660.



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April 2015 Tribal Court Docket

(subject to deletions or additions)

Key:

CO	Cora Offense/Conservation	GC	General Civil
CS	Child Support	GM	Guardianship of Minor
CT	Civil Ticket	GR	Employment Matter
DM	Divorce with children	JC	Judicial Complaint
DO	Divorce w/o children	JV	Juvenile
EA	Enrollment Appeal	LT	Landlord Tenant
EB	Election Board Appeal	NA	Neglect Abuse
EM	Emancipation of Minor	NC	Name Change
FJ	Foreign Judgment	PF	Probate
FSJ	Foreign Support Judgment	PPO	Personal Protection Order
GA	Gaming Appeal		

Court Docket

Monday, April 6, 2015

Judge Bailey

10:00 a.m.	LRB v. Compeau	14264TM Sentencing
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Friday, April 10, 2015

Judge Sherigan

11:00 a.m.	Chick v. LRCR	15001GC Motion Hearing
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Monday, April 13, 2015

Judge Bailey

10:00 a.m.	Wilson v. Wilson	09156DM Show Cause Hrg.
11:00 a.m.	Gillette v. Badger	15026GC Pretrial Hrg.
01:00 p.m.	Hamilton v. LRCR	15016GR Grievance Hearing
03:30 p.m.	Hamilton v. Moore	07015DM Show Cause Hrg.

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Spring Membership Meeting Saturday April 11, 2015

Ogema Meet and Greet

Friday April 10, 2015- 7pm -9pm
Little River Casino Resort Event Center



Membership Meeting

Saturday April 11, 2015 - 8am-4pm
Little River Casino Resort Event Center

Meeting Agenda

8am-Located in the Event Center Registration Begins

9am-12pm Outside Event Center: Informational Booths

10am- Event Center: Flag Ceremony Honoring the Nations and opening of meeting.

12pm- Event Center: Lunch Served Information booths close.

1pm- Quorum Call

Question and Answer period will follow

**Thank you for Attending and
We Wish You A Safe Travel Home**

Note- Agenda subject to change at the Ogema's discretion and if quorum in membership is reached.

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Spring Fire & Anishinaabe Lifeways Teachings

April 8-11, 2015

**LRBOI Tribal Gathering Grounds
(Fire Lodge behind Trading Post gas station)**

Each day will start with a Sunrise Ceremony and teachings will be held throughout the day

At the conclusion of the last teaching, Wednesday through Friday, the Fire will be kept throughout the night

Everyone is welcomed to attend!



For information, please call 1-888-723-8288,
ext. 6891, 6893 or 6895

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LRBOI TRIBAL GOVERNMENT JOBS

The Human Resources Department welcomes your application for posted positions that are of interest to you! Did you know that job openings can be found on-line and on bulletin boards at government buildings? Job announcements are updated on a continuous basis. Look no further than these convenient sources for your next opportunity.

www.lrboi-nsn.gov

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Tribal Government Buildings

By calling the HR Department

Job Title	Department	Open Date	Close Date
Deli Attendant	Trading Post	3-31-15	4-15-15

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

An application must be submitted, resumes and cover letters are strongly encouraged.

Applications will remain active for a period of 6 months after receipt of your application. Please contact the Human Resource Department if you are unsure if you have an active application.

When you see a job that you would like to apply for please contact Alyce Giltz at Phone: (231) 398-6859, Fax: (231) 398-9101 or E-mail: agiltz@lrboi-nsn.gov This email address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it. . You can download the [Employment Application](#) and send it in by postal mail, e-mail, fax or hand deliver it if you choose. Applications are kept active for 6 months. Tribal Preference is applied to all positions.

What about Temporary Work? Send in or drop off your application at anytime and be included in our temporary employment pool. Just be certain to check "temporary" or place "temp pool" on the position of interest line. Temporary assignments range from 1 to 180 days in duration. It's a great way to gain experience and sharpen your skills.

Indian Preference applies to the hiring of all vacant positions

Please send your application, resume, and cover letters to:

LRBOI Human Resources

2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660F

Fax: (231) 398-9101 E-mail: agiltz@lrboi-nsn.gov Phone: (231) 398-6859 or (888) 723-8288

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Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 2015 BEAR PERMIT Application

The Natural Resources Commission will be holding a lottery drawing for **Black Bear permits for the 2015 season**. If you are interested in participating in this lottery, please return this application to; LRBOI Natural Resources Department, 2608 Government Center Dr., Manistee, MI 49660 or call the Natural Resources Department, toll free 866-723-1594. You will be contacted by telephone if your name is drawn for a Black Bear permit. **You need not be present at the drawing to be selected.**

Application must be postmarked by
Monday May 8, 2015 at 5:00 pm

Questions or comments please call:
866-723-1594

Drawing will be held in June, 2015

Name: _____ Tribal ID#: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Elder: _____

Please list your hunting unit preference in the spaces below.

Hunting units:

Baldwin, Gladwin, Red Oak, Newberry, Gwinn, Baraga

Primary Choice	Second Choice	Third Choice	Fourth Choice

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 2015 ELK PERMIT Application

The Natural Resources Commission will be holding a lottery drawing for **Elk permits for the 2015 season**. If you are interested in participating in this lottery, please return this application to; LRBOI Natural Resources Department, 2608 Government Center Dr., Manistee, MI 49660 or call the Natural Resources Department, toll free 866-723-1594. You will be contacted by telephone if your name is drawn for an Elk permit. **You need not be present at the drawing to be selected.** **NOTE:** You are ineligible to apply if you have received or were offered an Elk permit within the last five (5) years.

Application must be postmarked by
Monday May 8, 2015 at 5:00 pm

Questions or comments please call:
866-723-1594

Drawing will be held in June, 2015

Name: _____ Tribal ID#: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Elder: _____

MANISTEE SHOP WITH A COP And The Heathlands Golf Course Present

3rd Annual Shop With A Cop Golf Shoot out and Dinner

Saturday May 30, 2015

Start Time 3:00pm



Many Raffles and prizes and Games

Team Members

Team Captain: Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Team Member: Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Team Member: Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

Team Member: Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

\$260.00 PER TEAM

Price includes 18 holes of golf, cart and dinner after.

Send money and Registration to

Manistee Shop With A Cop

2734 Caberfae Hwy

Manistee, MI 49660

Or give registration and money to Officer McShane

You may also register online

manisteeshopwithac.wix.com/manisteeshopwithacop

manisteeshopwithacop@yahoo.com

This information was provided by Tribal Public Safety who asked
that it be distributed.